## **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0018] with following rewritten paragraph:

[0018] FIG. 6B is a view showing another embodiment of the invention; and

Please replace paragraph [0019] with following rewritten paragraph:

[0019] FIG. 6C is a view showing a further embodiment of the invention;

<u>and</u>

Please add the following paragraph after paragraph [0019]:

[0019a] FIG. 7 is a view showing another embodiment of the invention.

Please replace paragraph [0026] with following rewritten paragraph:

[0026] The following will describe the structure of the pair of ejection rollers 19, 20, which are a drive roller 19 and a driven roller 20, that function as a sheet feeder on the ejection side of the feed direction with reference to FIGS. 3, 4, and 5. The drive roller 19 and the driven roller 20 are disposed at a downstream side from the reading point 23a. Both the drive roller 19 and the driven roller 20 comprise a plurality of roller segments. The drive roller 19, disposed on an upper side, is fixed to a drive shaft 29 that is parallel to a direction perpendicular to the sheet feed direction (X-axis direction in FIG. 4). The drive shaft 29 is rotated by a drive motor and a transmission gear (not shown) in sheet feed direction. At least a peripheral layer of the drive roller 19 is made from rubber having a large coefficient of friction with respect to the document P. Pairs of segments of the drive roller 19 and the driven roller 20 are provided in a plurality of places on drive shaft 29 and support shafts 30, respectively (four places, or pairs in the embedimentembodiments of FIGS. 4 and 7), and symmetrically on each side of a centerline O of the document P with respect to its width (a sheet dimension in Y-axis direction in FIG. 4).